

PLANNING REF : 252498
PROPERTY ADDRESS : 14 Steeple Walk
: Lower Earley, Reading
: RG6 4HR
SUBMITTED BY : Mrs Claire Way
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COMMENTS:

My main objection to this development centre around the constant overdevelopment of the local area. The strain on local services is already acute, in addition to the further degradation of our natural environment.. The plan includes schools and GP services - if you build them, where are you going to find staff for them? All local GP surgeries are already struggling. And the RBH simply cannot cope with current demands. How much worse does it need to get? What provision has been made in this regard? I cannot see any mention. There is also the flooding issue. There are meaningless statements such as "ecological enhancement measures" though that could mean just planting a few more trees, to no effect whatsoever. If this kind of project is to go ahead I would expect to see some details of what exactly is intended. For example, the buildings could be constructed to have rainwater collection systems - far easier and cheaper to fit from the outset. Plus driveways and paths should be permeable to minimise run-off. People are much more informed about these issues than you probably think so you need to convince us how this could work. Bland reassurances do not cut it. Has anyone calculated any of the effects on the area and, if so, can we see these? The reason for building there is that it is the last bit of open space- soon Earley, Wokingham, Shinfield, Winnersh etc will form one huge urban sprawl. You ignore nature at your peril - it cannot be tamed. Remember the car park behind the cinema? I suggest you provide some evidence of how the effects will be managed before anyone gives permission.